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Fireworks Safety Tips

Although July 4th festivities are a few weeks away, the Loudoun County Fire Marshal's Office has begun planning to promote citizen safety relative to the proper use of fireworks.

Did you know that more fires are reported on the fourth of July than on any other day of the year in the United States? Nearly half of these fires are caused by fireworks. The good news is you can enjoy your holiday and the fireworks, with just a few simple safety tips:

PROCEED WITH CAUTION!

- Leave fireworks to the professionals and steer clear of consumer fireworks. Each July Fourth, thousands of people, most often children and teens, are injured while using consumer fireworks. The risk of fireworks injury is more than twice as high for children ages 10–14 as for the general population.
- Consumer fireworks include sparklers and firecrackers. The tip of a sparkler burns at a temperature of more than 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit, which is hot enough to cause 3rd degree burns?
- After the firework display, children should never pick up fireworks that may be left over, as they may still be active.
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Remember, the safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend a public display conducted by trained professionals. See the attached list of professional fireworks shows throughout the county. In addition, the Loudoun County Fire Marshal's Office has posted a comprehensive list of permissible fireworks on our webpage at www.loudoun.gov/fireworks.

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2014 Public Firework Displays

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| Date | Location | Time | Rain Date |
|---------|---|------|-----------|
| June 7 | South Riding – Riding Center Drive | 9:30 | June 8 |
| June 28 | Brambleton – Brambleton Plaza | 9:30 | June 29 |
| | Sterling Park Golf. Swim & Tennis Club | 9:30 | August 30 |
| July 3 | South Riding – Riding Center Drive | 9:30 | October 5 |
| | Lovettsville Community Center | 9:30 | July 5 |
| | Waterford | 9:00 | July 5 |
| July 4 | Franklin Park | 9:30 | July 5 |
| | Ida Lee Park | 9:30 | July 5 |
| | Middleburg Community Center | 9:15 | July 5 |
| | Creighton Farms (Private) | 9:00 | July 5 |
| | Trump National Golf Course (Private) | 9:00 | July 5 |
| July 5 | Ashburn Village | 9:30 | July 6 |
| | Lansdowne Resort | 9:25 | July 11 |
| | Hillsboro Community Center | 9:00 | July 6 |

Please remember that personal fireworks of any type are PROHIBITED at these venues.

Permissible fireworks for personal use may be purchased at stands throughout the county, and may only be used on private property with the consent of the owner. To protect yourself and others, only buy fireworks from permitted stands in Loudoun County. These fireworks have been tested and approved. A list of these stands is attached, and will be updated as they are inspected and permitted. For a full list of approved fireworks, go to <http://www.loudoun.gov/firemarshal>

Fireworks obtained by mail order or that 'Road Trip' may lead to seizure and criminal charges.

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Source: National Fire Protection Association

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